

OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS
ST. MARY LEVEE DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING

JUNE 11, 2015
FRANKLIN, LOUISIANA

The St. Mary Levee District (“SMLD”) met on this date with President William Hidalgo, Sr., presiding and the following board members present: James Vidos, J.P. Hebert, Wayne Cantrell Jr., Will Terry, Barry Broussard, Norris Crappell, Kenny Arceneaux and Luther Smith.

Also present: Tim Matte, St. Mary Levee District Executive Director; Michael Brocato, Operations Manager of St. Mary Levee District; William Bourgeois, SMLD Attorney; Nicole Cutforth, CB&I Co.; Patrick Landry, Coastal Protection and Restoration Authority; Reid Miller, Miller Engineers; Kevin O’Gorman, T. Baker Smith; Parish President Paul Naquin, St. Mary Parish Government; and, members of the public and media.

Mr. Terry moved to dispense with the reading and to approve the May 14 regular meeting minutes. After a second by Mr. Crappell, the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Broussard presented the payables report, which Mr. Vidos moved to approve. Following Mr. Hebert’s second, the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Robicheaux with Wayfarer Technology gave a presentation on their Shoreline Reef Product.

Reid Miller of Miller Engineers reported his office has not received any responses from landowners for the right-of-ways for the Bayou Choupique levees. Mr. Miller stated that appraisals will begin soon on the right-of-ways.

CB&I’s Jeff Pena reported the monthly update and site visit was held on June 10 and will be held on the second Wednesday of the month for the Franklin Canal Pump Station project. The contractor has started in the field and the crane has been mobilized. Mr. Pena stated the template pile driving has commenced.

Mr. Miller reported the Hanson Canal floodgate is open and work continues on the Yellow Bayou project. Mr. Miller stated equipment is on site at Yellow Bayou that can provide protection for hurricane season if it’s needed.

Mr. Miller reported the Wax Lake East Levee project is completed. Mr. Miller stated that a change order is needed for approval for the adjustment to unit price for the project. Mr. Crappell motioned to authorize Mr. Hidalgo to sign the said Change Order #2 in the amount of \$18,960.34. Following Mr. Broussard’s second, the motion carried unanimously. Mr. Reid also reported a Certificate of Substantial Completion is ready to be approved for the project. Mr. Broussard motioned to authorize Mr. Hidalgo to sign the above mention certificate. Following Mr. Terry’s second, the motion carried unanimously.

Kevin O’Gorman with T. Baker Smith reported his office has completed final design plans and specifications for the Siracusaville section of the Morgan City Levee Improvements Project and the project is close to going to bid in the next few months. Mr. O’Gorman also reported his office held a meeting with landowners to discuss the alignment of the levees for the Lake End Park to Justa Street portion. Mr. O’Gorman stated that his office received approval to proceed with the alignment. Also reported by Mr. O’Gorman his office submitted 30 % plans, cost estimate, and final Geotech report were sent out last month to CPRA on the Hwy 70 segment. Mr. O’Gorman stated his office is preparing to submit a Joint Permit Application to DNR and USACOE.

Mr. Pena reported the Bayou Chene project is still in the permitting process, he stated CB&I received information that Louisiana Department of Natural Resources will allow the district to go through mitigation banks for the affected land along the Bayou Chene project. Mr. Hebert motioned to authorize Mr. Hidalgo to negotiate mitigation bank credits. Following Mr. Broussard’s second, the motion was passed unanimously.

Mr. Pena also reported their office hasn't had any feedback on the vessel data from the USACOE. Mr. Arceneaux motioned to authorize Mr. Hidalgo to engage Marquis Management Group to conduct a navigation report relating to the Bayou Chene project permitting process to answer questions posed by USACOE officials.

Mr. Pena reported a permit application was submitted last month for the Bayou Teche Floodgate. Mr. Pena stated that the right-of-ways were obtained and the field work for Wetland Delineation was submitted June 10.

Mr. Matte reported that HB 94 has cleared both House and Senate and has been sign by the Senate President and the Speaker of the House; it has been forwarded to the Governor's office for his signature. Mr. Matte reported that he and Mr. Brocato have been working on the Emergency Procedures Manual and they met with the Parish to discuss SMLD role should an emergency arise. Also reported by Mr. Matte, prices have been solicited for pumps for the Franklin Canal Floodgate and Yellow Bayou. Mr. Matte stated that a pre-disaster contract for pumps for those locations will be in placed should a storm happen. Mr. Matte reported now that the Wax Lake East Levee project is complete he is trying to schedule a return visit by the USACOE to re-evaluate the elevation of that levee in order to see this levee accredited for DFIRM purposes. Mr. Matte informed the board members that he would be soliciting input from each of them on projects they would like to see in SMLD Master Plan.

Mr. Matte reported that quarterly levee inspections have been performed by the USACOE. Mr. Brocato reported he and Mr. Miller attended a meeting with the USACOE on the levee slides that are happening on some of the levees.

Mr. Bourgeois reported that Mr. Miller contacted SMLD about the existing Hesco baskets that are within the construction sites of Hanson Canal and Yellow Bayou. Mr. Bourgeois stated that the baskets need to be removed and he has drawn up a resolution to properly dispose of the surplus property. Mr. Hebert motioned to declare the Hesco baskets surplus and to advertise the sale of the baskets. Following Mr. Arceneaux's second, the motioned passed unanimously.

It was moved by J.P. Hebert , seconded by Kenny Arceneaux , that the following Resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the Board finds that it has become necessary and proper to dispose of certain surplus movable property; and,

WHEREAS the Board desires to fully comply with the law and to only dispose of surplus property in a lawful and transparent manner.

NOW BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Commissioners of the St. Mary Levy District that the District's Executive Director, Timothy Matte, is hereby authorized and directed to make, all necessary and proper steps to dispose of the following item, which we hereby declare to be surplus and no longer of any use to the St. Mary Levee District:

<u>Mfr.</u>	<u>Model and Description</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>
1) HESCO	15' baskets, all heavily damaged, 112 units – 1,680 linear ft. – “as is, where is”	1	N/A

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT said item has an appraised value of \$5,000.00 or less, specifically, \$~100.00. Therefore, pursuant to *La. R.S. 33:4712(F)*, notice of this resolution and a proposed sale shall be published at least fifteen days prior to the date of the sale in our official journal. And, the sale shall be made to the person with the highest bid.

BE IT ALSO RESOLVED THAT should said item not sell for any amount, then item shall be considered “junk” and may be discarded.

WHEREUPON, the motion was put to a vote and the vote thereon was as follows:

YEAS: Wayne Cantrell, Will Terry, Kenny Arceneaux, JP Hebert, Bill Hidalgo, James Vidos, Norris Crappell, Barry Broussard, and Luther Smith

NAYS:

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the St. Mary Levee District convened on this 11th day of June, 2015.

CERTIFICATE

I, hereby certify that the above and foregoing resolution is a true and exact copy adopted at a regular meeting of the St. Mary Levee District on the 11th day of June 2015, in which a quorum was present and voting, and that the resolution adopted is still in effect and has not been rescinded or modified and that is now in full force and effect.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said St. Mary Levee District this 12th day of June, 2015.

Mr. Hebert motioned to amend the agenda to add the request for sheetpile from Miller Engineers and Drainage District #2. Following Mr. Broussard's second and a roll call, the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Arceneaux motioned to fulfill the request for sheetpile by Miller's Engineers and Drainage District #2. Following Mr. Hebert's second, the motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hidalgo asked for further comments and did not receive any. Mr. Terry moved for adjournment, which was seconded by Mr. Hebert and carried unanimously.

Attest:

Barry A. Broussard, Secretary
St. Mary Levee District